



**NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF THE  
APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION  
FOR MAGNOLIA POWER PLANT PROJECT  
Docket No. 01-AFC-6**

On May 14, 2001, the Southern California Public Power Authority filed an Application for Certification (AFC) for the Magnolia Power Plant Project seeking approval from the California Energy Commission to construct and operate a 250 megawatt (MW) natural gas-fired, combined cycle power generating facility.

The Magnolia Power Plant Project will be expedited under Executive Order D-28-01, this order directs, "that Energy Commission shall expedite to the extent feasible the processing of applications for certification for thermal powerplants. In order to bring such thermal powerplants online as soon as possible, the Energy Commission is authorized to reduce the time in which to conduct a reasonable review of the application, consistent with the objectives of environmental protection and the protection of the public health and safety."

The Energy Commission is responsible for reviewing and ultimately approving or denying all thermal electric power plants, 50 MW and greater, proposed for construction in California. The Energy Commission's facility certification process carefully examines public health and safety, environmental impacts and engineering aspects of proposed power plants and all related facilities such as electric transmission lines, natural gas pipelines and water pipelines. The Energy Commission is the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The Magnolia Power Plant Project will be a nominal 250-megawatt (MW), natural gas-fired combined cycle power plant. The applicant intends to locate the project on a 16 acre site in the City of Burbank at 164 West Magnolia Boulevard. The site is bound by Magnolia Blvd. on the north, Lake Avenue on the west, Olive Avenue on the south, and the Western Burbank Flood Control Channel, railway switching yards and Interstate 5 to the east of the proposed project.

The proposed plant will be constructed at the existing Magnolia Power Station that is owned and operated by the City of Burbank Water and Power Department. Burbank currently operates and maintains existing gas fired combustion turbine units and gas fired steam units on this 16-acre site located at 164 West Magnolia Blvd in Burbank, California. Most of the auxiliary facilities for the project, such as water supply and disposal systems, site access, fuel supply, and facilities to connect electrical output to the grid are already in place with the existing facilities. Site improvements will include demolition of some of the older power generating and fuel storage facilities.

The proposed plant incorporates one combustion turbine electric generator (CTG), one heat recovery steam generator (HRSG), and one steam turbine electric generator (STG). Hot exhaust gas from the CTG will flow through the HRSG, which will extract heat from the exhaust to produce steam that powers the STG.

## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The purpose of the AFC process is to enable the Energy Commission to assess the project's impact on environmental quality, and public health and safety. Over the (6) six-month licensing process, the Energy Commission will conduct a number of public workshops and hearings to determine whether the project should be approved for construction and operation and under what set of conditions. These workshops will provide the public and local, state and federal agencies the opportunity to ask questions and provide input about the proposed project. The Energy Commission will issue notices for these workshops and hearings. If you are not currently receiving these notices and want to be placed on the mailing list, please contact Luz Manriquez, Project Assistant, at (916) 654-3928.

If you want information on how you can participate in the Energy Commission's review of the project, please contact Ms. Roberta Mendonca, the Energy Commission's Public Adviser, at (916) 654-4489 (toll free in California at (800) 822-6228), or by email at [pao@energy.state.ca.us](mailto:pao@energy.state.ca.us). If you require special accommodations to attend a workshop, please call Robert Sifuentes at (916) 654-5004, at least five days before a workshop. Technical or project schedule questions should be directed to James W. Reede, Jr., Siting Project Manager, in the Energy Facilities Siting and Environmental Protection Division, at (916) 653-1245, or by e-mail at [jreede@energy.state.ca.us](mailto:jreede@energy.state.ca.us). The status of the project, copies of notices and other relevant documents are also available on the Energy Commission's Internet web page at <http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/magnolia>. News media inquiries should be directed to Assistant Executive Director, Claudia Chandler, at (916) 654-4989.

This notice of receipt has been mailed to all parties that have requested to be placed on the mailing list during pre-filing and to property owners located adjacent to the project site and any of the project-related facilities. By being on the mailing list, you will receive notices of all project-related activities and notices when documents related to the project's evaluation are available for review. If you want your name removed from the mailing list, please contact Luz Manriquez, Project Assistant, at (916) 654-3928.

## **AVAILABILITY OF THE AFC DOCUMENT**

Copies of the AFC are available at the Burbank Public library at the following location:

Burbank Public Library 110 N. Glen Oaks Blvd Burbank CA 91502	Buena Vista Branch Library 401 N. Buena Vista Street Burbank, CA 91505	Northwest Branch Library 3323 W. Victory Burbank, CA 91505
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Copies are also available at the Energy Commission's Library in Sacramento, the California State Library in Sacramento, and at public libraries in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Fresno, and Eureka. In addition, copies will be distributed to those public agencies, which would normally have jurisdiction except for the Energy Commission's exclusive authority to certify sites and related facilities.

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